## **HOUSE BILL No. 1954**

#### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 31-14-6-1.

**Synopsis:** Genetic testing in paternity cases. Requires a court to order genetic testing in a paternity case upon the motion of any party, even if paternity has been admitted.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

## Thompson, Chowning, Heim

January 23, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.





#### Introduced

First Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2003)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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- SECTION 1. IC 31-14-6-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 1. (a) Upon the motion of any party, the court shall order all of the parties to a paternity action to undergo blood or genetic testing. A qualified expert approved by the court shall perform the tests.
- (b) The testing requirement under subsection (a) shall be enforced notwithstanding an admission or a stipulation of paternity to the court.



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